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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:										
Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.										
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[] A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (248) [] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.										
[X] Also enclosed is <u>an executed Declaration Under Rule 132; two references (FR 2,453,880 and USP 6,013,234)</u>										
[]	statement(s) claiming small er [] are also enclosed [] were submit	itity ted	status previously.							
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.									
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Total Claims	25	MINUS 25 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =				
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$78.00 (102) =				
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00 (104)								
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